

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Public Works Committee: June 17, 2019

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. FARR.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Feasibility of Assisting Major Festivals (Shut Out of Celebrate Ontario Grant process) for City Services

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government has failed to fund three major 2019 summer festivals in Hamilton through their Celebrate Ontario Grant Program, including the Festival of Friends, It's Your Festival and Supercrawl;

WHEREAS, the lack of any Provincial funding has negative effects that may include greatly downsizing these large outdoor festivals or even result in them being cancelled; and,

WHEREAS, traditionally, larger festivals pay for services rendered by our Public Works Department, including but not limited to such measures as waste collection, road closures, HSR re-routing, and lighting;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Public Works staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee on the following:

- (a) municipal services utilized by large festivals and the cost of rendering those services; and,
- (b) municipal services utilized by large festivals that the Public Works Committee may consider offering in kind as a means to continue to make these major Hamilton festivals viable.